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the provisions of this subpart: *Provided*, That pears so shipped shall not thereafter be handled contrary to the provisions of this subpart.

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MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

§ 927.70 Reports.

Upon the request of the Control Committee, subject to the disapproval of the Secretary, each handler shall furnish to the Control Committee, in such manner and at such times as it prescribes, such information as will enable it to perform its duties under this subpart.

§ 927.71 Compliance.

Except as provided in § 927.65, no handler shall ship any pears contrary to the applicable restrictions and limitations specified in, or effective pursuant to, the provisions of this subpart.

§ 927.72 Duration of immunities.

The benefits, privileges, and immunities conferred by virtue of this subpart shall cease upon termination hereof, except with respect to acts done under and during the existence of this subpart.

§ 927.73 Separability.

If any provision of this subpart is declared invalid, or the applicability thereof to any person, circumstance, or thing is held invalid, the validity of the remaining provisions and the applicability thereof to any other person, circumstance, or thing shall not be affected thereby.

§ 927.74 Derogation.

Nothing contained in this subpart is or shall be construed to be in derogation of, or in modification of, the rights of the Secretary or of the United States to exercise any powers granted by the act or otherwise, or, in accordance with such powers, to act in the premises whenever such action is deemed advisable.

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§ 927.75 Liability of Control Committee members.

No member or alternate for a member of the Control Committee, nor any employee or agent thereof, shall be held personally responsible, either individually or jointly with others, in any way whatsoever, to any party under this subpart or to any other person for errors in judgment, mistakes, or other acts, either of commission or omission, as such member, alternate for a member, or employee, except for acts of dishonesty.

§ 927.76 Agents.

The Secretary may name, by designation in writing, any person, including any officer or employee of the Government or any bureau or division in the Department of Agriculture to act as his agent or representative in connection with any of the provisions of this subpart.

§ 927.77 Effective time.

The provisions of this subpart shall become effective August 26, 1939, and shall continue in force until terminated in one of the ways specified in § 927.78.

§ 927.78 Termination.

(a) The Secretary may at any time terminate this subpart.

(b) The Secretary shall terminate or suspend the operation of any or all of the provisions of this subpart whenever he finds that such operation obstructs or does not tend to effectuate the declared policy of the act.

(c) The Secretary shall terminate the provisions of this subpart at the end of any fiscal period whenever the Secretary finds that such termination is favored by a majority of the growers of pears who, during such fiscal period, have been engaged in the area in the production of pears for market: *Provided*, That such majority have produced for market during such period more than 50 percent of the volume of pears produced for market in the area. Such termination shall be effective only if announced on or before the last day of the then current fiscal period.

(d) The Secretary shall conduct a referendum within every six-year period

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beginning on the date this section becomes effective, to ascertain whether continuance of this subpart is favored by producers. The Secretary may terminate the provisions of this subpart at the end of any fiscal period in which the Secretary has found that continuance of this subpart is not favored by producers who, during a representative period determined by the Secretary, have been engaged in the production for market of pears in the production area: *Provided*, That termination of the order shall be effective only if announced on or before the last day of the then current fiscal period.

(e) The provisions of this part shall, in any event, terminate whenever the provisions of the act authorizing them cease to be in effect.

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§ 927.79 Proceedings after termination.

(a) Upon the termination of this subpart, the members of the Control Committee then functioning shall continue as joint trustees for the purpose of liquidating all funds and property then in the possession or under the control of the Control Committee, including claims for any funds unpaid or property not delivered at the time of such termination.

(b) The joint trustees shall continue in such capacity until discharged by the Secretary; from time to time account for all receipts and disbursements; deliver all funds and property on hand, together with all books and records of the Control Committee and of the joint trustees, to such person as the Secretary shall direct; and, upon the request of the Secretary, execute such assignments or other instruments necessary and appropriate to vest in such person full title to all of the funds or claims vested in the Control Committee or in said joint trustees.

(c) Any funds collected pursuant to this subpart and held by such joint trustees or such person over and above the amounts necessary to meet outstanding obligations and the expenses necessarily incurred by the joint trustees or such other person in the performance of their duties under this subpart, as soon as practicable after

the termination hereof, shall be returned to the handlers pro rata in proportion to their contributions thereto.

(d) Any person to whom funds, property, or claims have been delivered by the Control Committee or its members, upon direction of the Secretary, as provided in this section, shall be subject to the same obligations and duties with respect to said funds, property, or claims as are imposed upon the members of said Committee or upon said joint trustees.

§ 927.80 Amendments.

Amendments to this subpart may be proposed from time to time by the Control Committee or by the Secretary.

§ 927.81 Effect of termination or amendment.

Unless otherwise expressly provided by the Secretary, the termination of this subpart or of any regulation issued pursuant to this subpart or the issuance of any amendment to either, shall not (a) affect or waive any right, duty, obligation, or liability which shall have arisen or which may thereafter arise in connection with any provision of this subpart or any regulation issued hereunder, or (b) release or extinguish any violation of this subpart or of any regulation issued hereunder, or (c) affect or impair any rights or remedies of the Secretary or of any other person with respect to any such violation.

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DEFINITIONS

§ 927.100 Terms.

Each term used in this subpart shall have the same meaning as when used in the marketing agreement and order.

§ 927.101 Marketing agreement.

Marketing agreement means Marketing Agreement No. 89, as amended, regulating the handling of Beurre D'Anjou, Beurre Bosc, Winter Nelis, Doyenne du Comice, Beurre Easter, and